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City of Barrie

Final

Heritage Barrie Committee

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 | **6:30 PM** | **Sir Robert Barrie Room**

HERITAGE BARRIE COMMITTEE REPORT
For consideration by the Affordability Committee on May 29, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Councillor, C. Riepma at 6:32 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - Councillor C. Riepma
Vice Chair C. Froese
C. Colebatch
D. Exel
C. Kosokowsky
K. MacKinnon
S. Mackinnon
S. Marchant
P. Stevenson

Absent: 1 - Councillor A.M. Kungl

STAFF:
Communications Advisor, M. Rumley
Legislative Coordinator, T. Maynard
Senior Planner, C. Kitsemetry
Tourism Coordinator, K. Eatch.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

COMMEMORATION PLAN - PRINCE OF WALES SCHOOL REMNANTS

Vanessa Hicks of MHBC Planning Inc and Joel Doherty of HIP Developments provided an overview of the concept plans for the commemoration of Prince of Wales School located at 50 Bradford Street. Ms. Hicks commented on the structural conditions, safety concerns and site lines related to the remains of the former Prince of Wales Public School located on the subject lands.

The Committee discussed the commemoration plan for Prince of Wales Public School and provided their feedback to Ms. Hicks, Mr. Doherty and staff in Development Services concerning the historical site, including requesting alternative options for the site location. Vanessa Hicks, MHBC Planning and Joel Doherty, HIP Developments will report back at a future Committee meeting on alternative options for commemorating Prince of Wales Public School.

DOORS OPEN BARRIE

Shelley Marchant and Cathy Colebatch provided an update on the status of 2024 Doors Open Barrie event.

Melanie Rumley of Access Barrie provided an update on staff resources in her department. Kristin Eatch of Creative and Economic Development Department commented on their role in Doors Open Barrie event, and their ability to support this event.

The Committee provided their feedback to Ms. Marchant and Ms. Colebatch concerning the event. The Committee was requesting support from staff in Access Barrie, Creative and Economic Departments and Tourism Barrie for marketing of the 2024 Doors Open Barrie Event.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

2024 DOORS OPEN BARRIE

That staff in Access Barrie and Economic and Creative Development, in partnership with Tourism Barrie, assist Heritage Barrie with marketing for the Doors Open Barrie 2024 event.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to Affordability Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/8/2024.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

BILL 23, THE MORE HOMES BUILT FASTER ACT ON HERITAGE PROPERTIES

Pauline Stevenson provided an update on the Committee's Action Plan related to Bill 23 on Heritage Properties. The Committee discussed making a presentation to members of Council at concerning heritage properties, Bill #23 and designated and listed properties. Pauline Stevenson and Shelley Marchant will provide Councillor C. Riepma with an outline of the presentation, and she will report back to a future Committee meeting.

BARRIE FARMERS MARKET/OPEN AIR DUNLOP COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULE

Craig Froese discussed coordinating a list of dates for the Committee to participate at Barrie Farmer's Market and Open-Air Dunlop, and that he will report back at the next Committee meeting.

COMMUNITY HERITAGE ONTARIO (OHO) MEMBERSHIP AND 2024 ONTARIO HERITAGE CONFERENCE

The Committee approved an expenditure of $75.00 from the Heritage Barrie Committee budget for the 2024 membership fees with the Community Heritage Ontario (CHO).

The Committee discussed the 2024 Ontario Heritage Conference to be held in Gravenhurst, Ontario between June 13 to June 15, 2024. The Committee members will review the list of events for the conference and report back at the next Committee meeting.

The Committee approved an expenditure up to $1500.00 from the Heritage Committee budget for of the members of the Heritage Barrie to register for the 2024 Ontario Heritage Conference with names to be determined.

SIMCOE COUNTY BRANCH OF THE ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

Deb Exel advised that the Simcoe County Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society will be hosting an open house on May 4th, 2024 between 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Northwest United Church, 464 Ferndale Drive North, Barrie, and that the Committee has been invited to participate at the event. Ms. Exel and Cathy Colebatch have volunteered to participate at the event.

BARNSLEY PROJECT REQUEST

The Barnsley Project Request has been deferred to the next meeting.

BARRIE ALLANDALE TRANSIT TERMINAL - HERITAGE INTERPRETATION

Cathy Colebatch provided an update on a City of Barrie Allandale Transit Terminal Workshop she attended on behalf of the Allandale Neighbourhood Association. .

HISTORIC PROPERTY - 90 MULCASTER STREET

The Committee discussed the property located at 90 Mulcaster Street, the historical value, the recent sale of the subject lands, and the potential to get permission to photograph the property for historical purposes.

REFERRED BY MOTION 24-G-062 - CORRESPONDENCE FROM CIRCULATION LIST DATED MARCH 20, 2024, REGARDING A REQUEST TO THE PROVINCE TO EXTEND THE REMOVAL DATE OF LISTED (NON-DESIGNATED) PROPERTIES FROM THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER

The Committee discussed the correspondence from the Town of Cobourg dated March 8, 2024, concerning a resolution requesting an amendment to Subsection 27(15) of the Ontario Heritage Act for the removal of listed (non-designated) properties from municipal heritage register to be extended from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030. The Committee reviewed a draft resolution prepared by Councillor, C. Riepma and provided their feedback to him.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "D"

BARRIE INITIATED CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING A REQUEST TO THE PROVINCE TO EXTEND THE REMOVAL DATE OF LISTED (NON-DESIGNATED) PROPERTIES FROM THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER

WHEREAS subsection 27(16) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* stipulates that any non-designated heritage property listed on the municipal register of properties as of December 31, 2022 shall be removed from the municipal register on or before January 1, 2025, if the council of the municipality does not give a notice of intention to designate the property under subsection 29(1) of the *Ontario Heritage Ac*t on or before January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS some 36,000 listed heritage properties in over 100 municipalities in Ontario are affected; and

WHEREAS since January 1, 2023, the City of Barrie has been diligently working to:

- review the municipal heritage register;
- research the heritage value and interest of listed (non-designated) properties;
- review and research the heritage value and interest of non-designated properties;
- contact owners of such properties; determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and
- take all required steps to designate such properties.

WHEREAS the above-noted work involving 46 listed properties in the City of Barrie is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by December 31, 2024, with the limited municipal resources available.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Barrie authorize the Mayor to promptly send a letter to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and Michael Ford, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, requesting that Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act be amended to extend the above noted deadline for five years from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to Affordability Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/29/2024.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

CHAIRMAN